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GLADIOLI

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The year 1923 was favorable for gladioli culture, and my stock of bulbs this season is extra fine, but as my stock of most varieties is limited, will offer for sale only at retail prices, excepting those varieties I want to sell out entirely.

The Primulinus came out again with flying colors, keeping green and in growing condition up to frost, October 18th. I am sure that they are the best varieties to grow where hot, dry summers prevail, and they produced this season a lot of fine, large plumb bulblets, in striking contrast with Gandavensir which produced only a few small ones. My collection of Primulinus is this season not large, but next year I hope to have in my gardens the best introductions of this country and Europe.

TWELVE HARDY GANDAVENSIS

BERTREX. Large, white with lilac markings, strong, healthy, vigorous, and when better known will be a leader in the cut flower trade. Defects none, so far. 20c each, \$2.00 per doz.

ARIZONA. A large flower of finest rose pink color, plant vigorous and healthy under all kinds of weather. Defects none so far, needs further trial. 10c each, \$1.00 per doz., \$6.00 per 100.

HOHENSTAUFEN. Large white, dark blotch in throat, strong and vigorous. Defects, produces some crooked spikes. 10c each, \$1.00 per dozen.

L'IMMACULEE. A tall, vigorous white which will be a commercial leader in the cut flower trade when stock is more plentiful. 25c each, 50c for 3.

MRS. JAMES LANCASHIRE. Deep cream, fading to a rose tinted flesh color. Vigorous and extra fine. Defects, does not produce many bulblets. 12c each, \$1.25 per dozen.

MRS. FRANK PENDELTON. Bright, rose pink, very large carmine blotch; a queen among gladiolus and one of the best of Kunderd's introductions. Defects, not enough bulblets. 12c each, \$1.25 per dozen.

NIAGARA. Soft yellow, more or less tinted pink, large open flower, extra fine. Defects, short spikes in a dry season. 10c each, \$1.00 per dozen.

LILY WHITE. Fine, pure white, extra for forcing an ideal florist sort. 25c each, \$2.25 per doz.

PRINCEPINE. Bright, scarlet red, white blotches on lower petals. 8c each, 75c per doz.

ROSELLA. Light rose, white centre, large wide open flowers, very vigorous, extra fine, one of the best. Defects, crooked spikes occasionally. 15c each, \$1.50 per doz.

WILLY WIGMAN. Cream white, flushed pink. Large crimson blotch on lower petals. 5c each, 50c per dozen.

WINE KING. Purple wine color. Extra fine, and ought to be better known. Strong, healthy and vigorous under all kinds of weather. Defects, flower spikes are rather short. 10c each, \$1.00 per dozen.

TWELVE CHOICE PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS.

ALICE TIPLADY. A grand, large, vigorous saffron colored Primulinus. Extra fine. Strong grower. Defects, none so far. 25c each, \$2.50 per dozen.

ARGO. Delicate rose pink, a grand vigorous variety with long spikes. Defects, needs further trial. 25c each, \$2.00 per dozen.

ALTAIR. Extra tall, of finest saffron yellow. 25c each, \$2.50 per dozen.

BUTTERFLY. Strong, vigorous grower. Large, pale, saffron yellow flowers. 25c each, \$2.50 per dozen.

CAPELLA. Bright, fiery orange; a tall, choice, vigorous grower. Defects, occasionally crooked spikes. 25c each, \$2.00 per dozen.

CONCOLOR. Light yellow, with rosy carmine stripes on lower petals. Vigorous grower and one of the best of Lemoine's Primulinus. Defects, none so far. 15c each, \$1.50 per dozen.

FRANS HALS. Vermillion yellow throat with red stripes. 15c each, \$1.50 per dozen.

MYRA. Very large flower, tall slender stem, deep salmon over yellow ground. 35c each, \$3.50 per dozen.

SALMON BEAUTY. Very large flower, deep salmon, rich salmon yellow throat. 25c each. \$2.50 per dozen.

VANULA. Pure carmine, lower petals soft red. 25c each, \$2.50 per dozen.

ORANGE BRILLIANT. Tall grower, medium sized flowers of a brilliant orange color. Large bulbs. 10c each, \$1.00 per dozen.

CLOSING OUT THE FOLLOWING GANDAUERISIS AT BOTTOM PRICES

Alice Carey, Black Hawk, Golden King, Hohenzollern, Klondyke, Liberty, Lucretia, Peace, and President Taft. Full particulars and quantity of each kind will be mailed to all who desire to buy.

THE THREE ARISTOCRATS.

I call the following three kinds, Aristocrats, because whenever ladies came out of town to buy flowers it was always these three they picked out first.

AMERICA. Decorative.

This is an old kind whose good qualities has never been recognized by the Eastern grower; it is a long keeper, flowers keeping in good condition six days in water, a profuse bloomer from August 1st till frost, and long stems make this one of the most valuable kind in the trade. Color, deep salmon, shaded gold. Price 50 cents each, \$5.00 per dozen.

CHIEFTAIN. Decorative.

One of the very best of Slocumb's introductions, and if you grow dahlias for the cut flower trade, this one is the most profitable you can plant, indeed, I did cut from single plants from 50 cents up to \$1.00 worth of flowers, and as it is one of the freest bloomers with long stems and large flowers, makes this one of the grandest dahlias known. Color, deep crimson red, shaded purple. Price, 75c each, \$7.50 per doz.

MAGDALENA. Hy. Dec. P.

A new introduction, raised from the seed received from Wm. Pfitzer, Germany, was one of the grandest dahlias in my plantation. Color, pure light yellow, flowers six inches in diameter, under ordinary field culture, long stems, strong vigorous plant, six feet high, with no signs of any weakness, and compared with other yellows in my collection, it was far ahead in size and quality of flowers of all other varieties. Strong divided root, sure to grow. Price \$10.00 each.

GENERAL LIST OF DAHLIAS.

AMERICAN BEAUTY. Show, deep wine red, 40c each, \$4.00 per dozen.

MINA BURGLE. D., large brilliant red, 40c each, \$4.00 per doz.

DR. PERRY. P., large, dark mahogany, 50c each, \$5.00 per doz.

FLAMINGO. Bright, rose pink, tipped white, 50c each, \$5.00 per doz.

HENRY MAIER. Deep, golden yellow, 50c each, \$5.00 per doz.

MISS MINNIE McCULLOUGH. (Dec.) Soft yellow, overlaid with bronze, a beautiful autumnal tint, which shows wonderful under artificial light. A free bloomer and one of the best cut flower varieties. 25c each, \$2.50 per dozen, \$12.00 per 100.

MRS. HUGH DICKSON. (P.) Salmon with buff pink base, very free flowering. 50c each, \$5.00 per doz.

LEO XIII. (Dec.) Deep yellow, long stems, extra for cut flowers. 40c each, \$3.00 per dozen.

JACK ROSE. (Dec.) Bright crimson red, free flowering, fine for cutting. 25c each, \$2.50 per dozen.

MANZANOLA. (Dec.) The brightest of all red dahlias, large, fine, and free flowering. 35c each, \$3.50 per dozen.

PURITY. (Dec.) Pure white, large size, one of the best whites, free flowering. 40c each, \$3.00 per dozen.

GLORY OF BAARN. (P.) Bright pink, plant covered with flowers from July till frost. Extra. 25c each, \$2.50 per dozen.

DELICE. (Dec.) Brilliant pink, one of the very best of its color, large flowers, long stems. 35c each, \$3.50 per dozen.

WHITE LADY. (Cac.-Dec.) Pure white, free flowering, long stems, excellent for cutting. 30c each, \$2.50 per dozen.

MAID OF KENT. Fancy. Bright red striped and flashed white. A good many are self bright red, very beautiful and a free bloomer. 25c each, \$2.50 per dozen.

PHILADELPHIA. (Dec.) Pure yellow produced in abundance, long stems, fine for cutting. 25c each, \$2.50 per doz.

ROSE. (S.) Deep pinkish purple. No better show of its color in the trade. Free, long stems. 35c each, \$3.50 per doz.

SEBASTOPOL. (Dec.) Bright, orange scarlet flowers, very large on long stems, free; one of the grandest dahlias ever introduced. 50c each, \$5.00 per doz.

STORM KING. (Show) Pure white. A wonderful free bloomer. The plant is covered with flowers from harvest time till frost. 25c each, \$2.50 per dozen.

SYLVIA. (Dec.) Soft mauve pink, white centre free; fine for cutting. 25c each, \$2.50 per dozen.

DAHLIAS



The past season was very favorable for dahlia culture, moderate warm in summer, cool nights in August and September, with enough rain to keep the soil moist produced a wonderful crop of flowers, and as the demand for dahlia flowers beat all records of the past, I am well satisfied with the results. My collection is close to 100 varieties, but I offer for sale only the best for the cut flower trade. I grow some of the much advertised big ones, but do not recommend them at present, till they give better results in production of flowers; the truth is that a good many of the large flowering varieties produce only from one to three flowers, and in my business I have no use for them.